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Honorable Philip N. Asprodites Commissioner of Conservation State of Louisiana Post Office Box 44275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: <u>APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING</u>.

E Zone of the Hosston Sand, HICO-KNOWLES FIELD, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

BRIGHTON ENERGY, L.L.C. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the E Zone of the Hosston Sand in the Hico-Knowles Field, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To designate Brighton Energy, L.L.C., as operator of HOSS E SUU.
- 2. To designate the Brighton Energy, L.L.C.--Ferguson 22 No. 1 Well (SN 226308), located 2400' FNL and 1300' FWL, of Section 22, Township 20 North, Range 3 West, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, as the unit well for HOSS E SUU.
- 3. To rescind the drilling permit recently issued for the C.H.C. Gerard--HOSS E SUU; Ferguson 22 No. 1-D Well (SN 226542); or, alternatively, to designate such well as an alternate unit well for HOSS E SUU.
- 4. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

In addition to the foregoing, Applicant requests that the drilling permit recently issued for the C.H.C. Gerard--HOSS E SUU; Ferguson 22 No. 1-D Well (SN 226542) be suspended until such time as the public hearing on Applicant's requests can be held and an appropriate Order issued. Applicant submits that no inequity would be caused by suspension of the permit since to the best of Applicant's knowledge, information and belief, no action has been taken under said permit and no leases are in jeopardy of expiring. With respect to this request to suspend the drilling permit, Applicant respectfully requests a Commissioner's Conference at the earliest possible opportunity.

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The E Zone of the Hosston Sand in the Hico-Knowles Field, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 137-G, effective August 1, 1959.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Brighton Energy, L.L.C., 1500 Thompson Building, 20 East Fifth Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Chris Girouard at (918) 582-3663 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Hico-Knowles Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

A check payable to the Office of Conservation and covering the application fee is

enclosed.

David L. Smelley

Yolurs very truly

Attorney for Brighton Energy, L.L.C.

DLS:dp Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encl.)

Mr. Chris Girouard (w/encl.) Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties